## Mobile Phone Policy – St. Paul's N.S., Ratoath

- Children should not bring mobile phones to school unless it is absolutely necessary to make contact with parents after school hours.
- If parents must make contact with their children during school hours, they may do so on the school's landline, **01-8257246**.
- Where parents deem it necessary that their child requires a mobile phone for use after school, they must give a **note of consent** for mobile phone use to their child's teacher. The following rules will then apply:

- The phone must be kept in the child's school bag and switched off from 9.00 am to 2.40 pm.

- The phone must not be taken to the yard or any out of classroom activity e.g. PE, nature walks, tours etc.

- Use of the phone i.e. making calls, texting, taking photographs/videos or accessing the internet/email during school hours is totally prohibited.

• Where a breach of the above rules occurs, the phone will be confiscated for a period of one week, after which time, parents must collect it from the Principal.

The school accepts no responsibility for lost, stolen or damaged phones.